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FIRST SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed Japanese documents are also enclosed.

For the Examiner's information, U.S. Patent No. 5,252,085 corresponds to Japanese Document No. 5,207632.

Applicants certify under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)(1) that each item of information contained in the subject information disclosure statement was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior

to the filing of this statement. Specifically, these documents were first cited in Japanese Office Actions of December 7, 2007, in corresponding Japanese patent applications. Copies of the Japanese Office Actions are enclosed.

The fee in the amount of \$180.00 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c) and §1.17(p) is being paid electronically.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that an initialed copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

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